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My professional background is in education. I taught in the New York Archdiocese. I was an elementary administrator in two St. Louis parish schools and more recently was an administrator in a Chicago parish school from 1998-2015. This past year I spent time unwinding by hiking, praying, attending various conferences, and visiting friends and family. The time in between I served on school, parish and congregational committees. I was on the planning committees for the past three DSC Convocations. I was also part of the Dominican Federation—the first collaborative

entity which lead to the DSC.

We all know the thrill of being part of the growth of awareness of the Dominican Family not only here in the States, but globally as well. We've come to know each other through our call to contemplate, to serve others, and to study and to preach.

The DSC has become a place where Sisters gather to explore, learn, support, and encourage each other. We have the wisdom of many women and the energy and idealism of our newer Dominicans. The vision for the future continues to unfold. It's an exciting time. I'm reminded of the kids at school when we had them working in a computer lab side by side and it was good. However it got better when we transformed the environment to a collaborative learning center where kids and teachers from a variety of grades were there helping and challenging one other to learn and create new approaches. The energy was amazing. It added new dimensions to learning and teaching.

The DSC keeps us woven together as we build a stronger voice for those in need, for the earth and for the next generation of Dominicans. As a member on the Executive Team I would bring a capacity to listen, team building and problem solving skills, as well as a good dose of optimism.

The future is calling all of us to think differently, to embrace new possibilities, to look locally and think globally.